UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION

CARLO M. CROCE :

Case No. 2:17-cv-00338

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Judge James L. Graham

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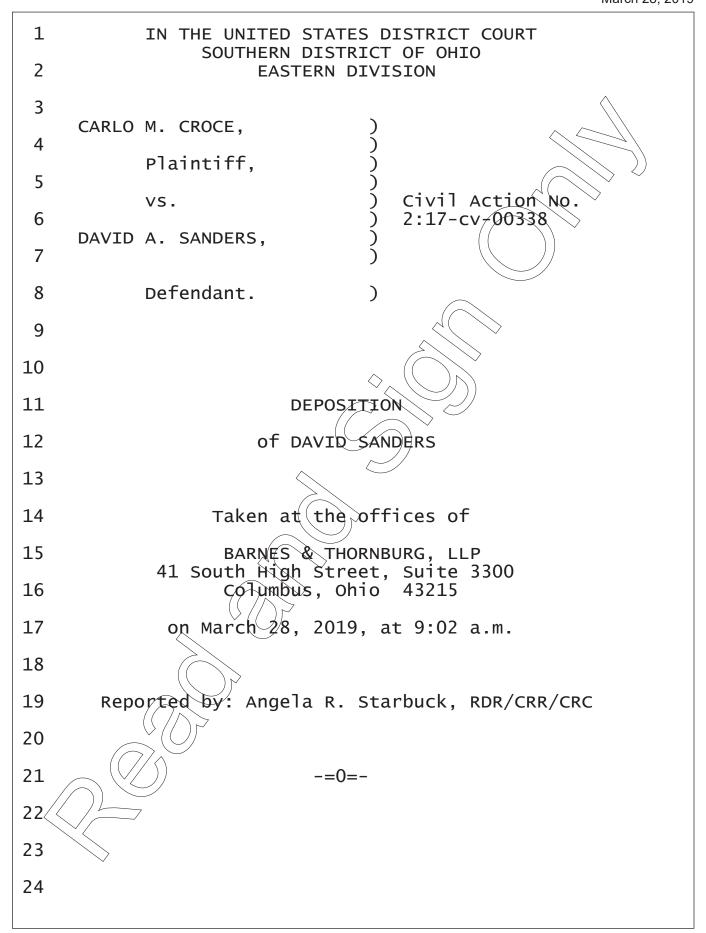
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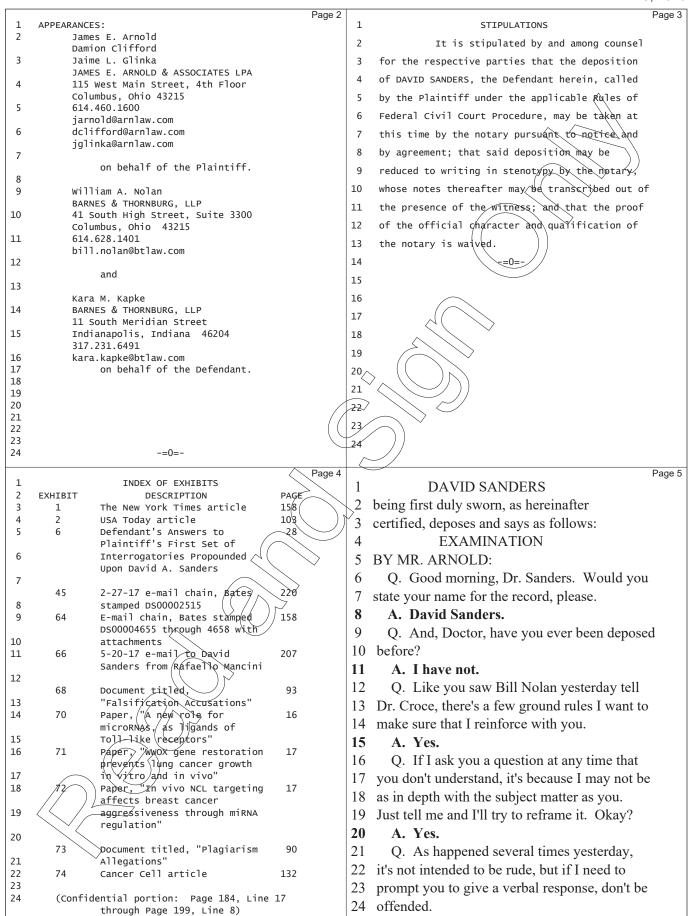
DAVID A. SANDERS

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Defendant.

Exhibit 3 to Defendant's Appendix in Support of Motion for Summary Judgment – Excerpts of Deposition of David Sanders





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1 A. Sure. Richard Mulligan.

- 2 Q. Was that the same throughout your period
- 3 at Whitehead?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. What type of degree does Dr. Mulligan
- 6 have?
- 7 A. He's a Ph.D.
- 8 Q. Do you know in what?
- 9 A. No.
- 10 Q. Okay. I understand you were looking at
- 11 retrovirus entry?
- 12 A. Correct.
- O. Into what?
- 14 A. Into cells.
- 15 Q. Into cells.
- Why did your participation at Whitehead
- 17 end?
- 18 A. I received a faculty position at Purdue
- 19 University.
- Q. What year was that, David?
- 21 A. 1995.
- Q. And you've remained there continuously
- 23 ever since?
- 24 A. That's correct.

- 1 Q. I understand you're an associate
- 2 professor today?
- 3 A. That's correct.
- 4 Q. What position did you enter at Purdue in
- 5 1989?
- 6 A. Assistant professor.
 - Q. What are your -- let's start in 1995.
- 8 What were your responsibilities at Purdue in
- 9 1995?
- 10 A. Teaching and conducting research.
- 11 Q. What were you teaching?
- 12 A. Well, I -- actually they give you a year
- 13 off from teaching the first year.
- 14 Q. All right. I take it you conducted
- 15 research the first year?
- 16 A. Yes,
- 17 Q. Allright.
- 18 A. Set up the lab, conducted research.
- 19 Q. All right. What did you start teaching
- 20 then in 1996?
- 21 A. How amino acids dictate the function of
- 22 proteins.
- We were just talking about that at
- 24 breakfast this morning.

- 1 Was there anything else you were
- 2 teaching other than how amino acids dictate/
- 3 A. That was my first teaching assignment.
- 4 Q. All right. How has that evolved from
- 5 1995 to today?
- 6 A. I have taught undergraduate virology,
- 7 graduate virology, protein structure,
- 8 microbiology, protein expression lab.
- 9 Q. Have you ever taught a class in-
- 10 scientific ethics?
- 11 A. Taught a class, no.
- 12 Q. Seminar?
- 13 A. I have been often invited to speak in
- 14 them when other people have those classes.
- 15 Q. How many times have you been invited to
- 16 speak on the subject of scientific ethics? In a
- 17 range, if you're comfortable.
- 18 A. Just in classes or in general?
- 19 \ Q. Both.
- 20 A. In classes, 10 times. Scientific ethics
- 21 in general, 20 times -- I mean, 20 additional
- 22 times besides the classroom.
- 23 Q. So total, 30?
- A. Something like that.

- 1 Q. Okay. I don't want to jump off of
- 2 getting a final progression of the classes that
- 3 you teach, but let's move to the classes of
- 4 scientific ethics first. Do you provide
- 5 students in those classes with written material?
- 6 A. No
- 7 Q. What -- are they provided any material?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Textbooks?
- 10 A. Well, they -- I mean, I'm just doing one
- 11 class. They're normally provided with
- 12 instructions on the NIH or NSF responsible
- 13 conduct of research. So they are provided with
- 14 those sorts of materials, but I don't provide
- 15 them. I'm just a guest lecturer.
- 16 Q. Understood. That's available online?
- 17 A. Yeah, those are available online.
- 18 Q. Sure. In your 20 other invitations to
- 19 speak on scientific ethics, do you distribute
- 20 any literature?
- 21 A. No.
- Q. Do you have a PowerPoint presentation
- 23 that you use to -- to --
- A. In general, ves.

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| 1 | MR. NOLAN: Remember to let him finish | 1 | Q. Do you remember what papers they come |
| 2 | his question. | 2 | from? |
| 3 | THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. Thank you. | 3 | A. It will be the Fabbri, et al. |
| 4 | BY MR. ARNOLD: | 4 | Q. Is that the WWOX paper? |
| 5 | Q. You're doing great. | 5 | A. Correct. |
| 6 | What do you call that PowerPoint | 6 | Q. 2005? |
| 7 | presentation? | 7 | A. Correct. |
| 8 | A. Well, there was one where I was talking | 8 | Q. Any others? |
| 9 | about the arsenic bacteria case | 9 | A. Pichiorri in JEM. |
| 10 | Q. I'm familiar. | 10 | Q. What is JEM? I forget. |
| 11 | A. And then now it'll be tends to be | 11 | A. Journal of Experimental Medicine. |
| 12 | like ethics in scientific publication. | 12 | Q. What year was that? The Pichiorri if |
| 13 | Q. So there are two PowerPoints? | 13 | you remember. \\ |
| 14 | A. Yeah. | 14 | A. 2013. |
| 15 | Q. All right. Do either of those mention | 15 | Q. Are there any other strike that. |
| 16 | Dr. Croce? | 16 | • |
| 17 | A. No. | 17 | matters that you discuss in your PowerPoints |
| 18 | Q. Do any of them refer to any of the | 18 | dealing with images? |
| 19 | papers Dr. Croce has written? | 19 | |
| 20 | A. So the arsenic will not. The other one, | 200 | |
| 21 | it will never refer to the papers, but there are | 21 | deal with plagiarism? |
| 22 | images. | 22 |) \ \ -~~/ |
| 23 | Q. That come from his papers? | 23 | Q. Is that the Pichiorri? |
| 24 | A. That come from his papers, yes. | 24 | / |
| | 11. That come from his papers, yes. | | /14. 110, 1 thank you. It's also I abbit, |
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- 2 in the PowerPoint presentations are in
- 3 Exhibit 71?
- 4 A. Correct.
- Q. Could you tell me which images of 5
- 6 Exhibit 71 you refer to in your PowerPoint
- 7 presentation?
- A. 1-B. 8
- Q. Okay. So on Exhibit 71, on exhibit page
- 10 number 15612, you're referring to Figure 1,
- letter B? 11
- 12 A. Figure 1, letter B, correct.
- Q. Okay. Any others in Exhibit 71 to which 13
- 14 you refer --
- 15 A. No.
- Q. -- in your PowerPoint presentation? 16
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. What is the purpose for which you point
- 19 those out in your presentations?
- 20 A. I'm illustrating the nature of image
- 21 duplication that occurs in articles.
- 22 Q. Do you keep a compilation of the places
- 23 where you have given these lectures?
- 24 A. No.

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- Q. -- correct? 1
- 2 A. Yeah. To the best of my recollection,
- 3 Q. Sure. Exhibit 70, we're looking at
- 4 article page number 171 and you've identified in
- the center column, beginning at "increased
- scientific and clinical interest in TLR7," and
- ending in the third column that says high
- concentrations (that is greater than or equal to
- 3 milligrams per milliliter) also activates
- 10 TLR8.
- 11 I can't pronounce the one word I
- omitted, so I didn't say it. 12
- MR. NOLAN: Veteran move. 13
- 14 BY MR. ARNOLD:
- 15 Q. Are there any other papers that have any
- association with Dr. Croce that are part of your
- PowerPoint presentations we haven't covered? 17
- A. No. 18
- Q. And we've covered all of the 19
- presentations that you may give as it pertains 20
- to any paper in which Dr. Croce was associated? 21
- A. That is correct. 22
- 23 Q. All right. Thank you. Are any of the
- 24 classes that you lecture in videotaped or

- Q. It would be impossible to put together a 1
- list other than referring to your calendar?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Over what period of time have you given
- 5 these lectures?
- A. This particular one has just been 6
- relatively recent. I was mostly giving yeah.
 - Q. You were mostly giving what?
- 9 A. The one on arsenic.
- Q. All right. That has nothing to do with 10
- Dr. Croce? 11

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- 12 A. Nothing to do with Dr. Croce.
- Q. To finish off this topic then, let's go 13
- to Exhibit 70, and if you would, please tell me
- the portion of Exhibit 70 that you reference in 15
- 16 your PowerPoint presentations.
- A. This paragraph beginning with 17
- 18 "increased."
- 19 Q. Can Ljust get you to mark that, David,
- 20 so I can then put it in the record.
- (Witness complied with request.) 21
- BY MR, ARNOLD: 22
- 23 Okay. So in Exhibit 70 --
- 24 Yeah.

- recorded in any way with respect to the
 - 2 scientific ethics?
 - A. Not that I'm aware.
 - Q. Are you aware of whether or not any of 4
 - the lectures that you've given with respect to
 - scientific ethics outside of your classroom have
 - been videotaped? 7
 - 8 A. Not that I'm aware.
 - Q. I want to finish with your background.
- Are you a member of any professional societies, 10
- 11 David?
- 12 A. I am on the -- I'm a member of The
- 13 Protein Society and I represent them on the
- 14 FASEB science policy committee.
- 15 Q. You're going to have to tell me --
- A. FASEB, Federation of American Societies 16
- 17 of Experimental Biology.
- 18 O. Thank you.
- A. I'm also a national council member of 19
- the American Association for University 20
- 21 Professors. Maybe it's of university
- professors. 22
- 23 Q. Okay. How did you become a member of
- 24 the first society that you mentioned, The

Page 35 Page 34 1 article Number 1 --1 only one person? 2 A. Yes. 2 A. Correct. 3 Q. -- it appears have an individual by the O. And when there are multiple -- and 3 name of D.E. Koshland, Jr. 4 understand I'm groping along in the dark here, A. Correct. 5 too. When there are multiple people who review 5 O. Is that a man or woman? 6 the same article, I assume they decide on the --6 who will be first, middle, and last, if there's 7 A. Man. 8 O. A man, I suppose, being junior, three, among themselves? What was his participation in that 9 A. Yes. 9 publication? 10 O. How -- how is that decision made? Is 10 A. He was my graduate advisor and we wrote 11 there a protocol or policy that is generally 11 12 followed? 12 the article together. O. You were still a student at this time? 13 A. Not necessarily. 13 A. That's correct. 14 14 Q. All right. Q. Where is the first paper in here where A. Some -- for review -- so -- I would say 15 15 you were not a student and wrote it as a matter 16 no. of academic interest? 17 Q. Okay. 17 A. That's a difficult question. Could you A. There's -- people have different 18 18 rephrase it, please. approaches to that particular --19 19 Q. Sure) And thank you for doing that. O. Again, I preface everything by saying I 20> 20 I'm trying to find a paper in here that don't know the answer. That's not why I'm 21 asking. I'm asking because I don't. has you advanced beyond your fellowship and you 22 performed an experiment because you intended to 23 A. Sure. write or publish a paper about it. 24 Q. In the -- sticking with Attachment B, Page 36 Page 37 Q. To do it in that manner? MR. NOLAN: I'm going to object to the 1 1 2 A. Yes. 2 form. 3 Q. They'll conduct the experiment, you'll 3 Go ahead. oversee their conduct of that experiment, and A. So which -- when I'm an assistantonce you see the results, if you think it's professor -- I'm trying to understand when -what are we talking about. worthy of publication, you'll ask them to create the first draft? O. Let's start with each one. When you 7 A. That's correct. were first an assistant professor. Q. Would item Number 32 on Attachment B of A. Assistant professor -- I didn't conduct the experiments as an assistant professor. My Exhibit 6 reflect a publication that was done in graduate students and post-does actually did the that manner? 11 12 A. Yes. experiments. 12 Q. Appreciate that then. Thank you. 13 Q. All right. Are any of the articles or 13 Once they conducted the experiments as publications we see on Attachment B something in 14 an assistant professor, who wrote the article? which images were created? 15 15 A. Images are present in many of these A. I would -- so wrote the article --16 16 actually wrote the actual text, is that the 17 articles, yes. 17 question? Q. Do you know if images are created in 18 18 association with item Number 32 of Attachment B? 19 Q. Yeah. 19 20 A. 32? I believe there's a graph in 32. A. So writing the text. My policy was to 20 ask the students to write the text and then I Q. All right. Can you pick out any one of 21 21 these in which you know that images were created would revise it. 22 22 as part of the experiment? 23 O. That's fairly common? 23 MR. NOLAN: Just pick out one? A. Fairly common, yes. 24 24

Page 102 Page 103 what appears on Exhibit 68? 1 MR. NOLAN: Since we're going to anyway. 2 2 A. Yes. MR. ARNOLD: That's fine. I'm dancing around what I thought was the issue, but if you 3 Q. Is it the same problem that we're 4 running into with Exhibit 73? want to do it wholesale, I'm good with that, 5 A. Yes. 5 too, Bill. Q. When were the allegations of Let's go off the record for a second, 6 (Discussion off the record.) 7 falsification that are the subject of a 7 nondisclosure agreement made? BY MR. ARNOLD: 8 9 Because you told me in connection with 9 Q. Let's go to Exhibit 2. 10 the plagiarism, the last accusation was made on Dr. Sanders, I'm going to put in front 10 of you what's marked as Exhibit 2 on the bottom. February 2019. 11 12 A. Yes, that isn't what you just asked me. It says Exhibit B, but it just says that on the top because it came from a pleading. 13 Q. I'm asking when you last made an 13 14 allegation of falsification against Dr. Croce's 14 MR. NOLAN: Plaintiff's Exhibit 2? MR. ARNOLD: Plaintiff's Exhibit 2, yes. 15 papers. Would it have been the same date? 15 A. Yes. 16 16 BY MR. ARNOLD: Q. Understanding you may not recognize it Q. All right. Tell me if I'm wrong, but 17 17 18 you probably made these allegations in a single 18 in the format in which it appears, do you recognize the article itself? document and sent it to the university? 19 19 20> A. Yes, Ido. 20 MR. NOLAN: I'm going to object there Q. All right, Appears to be an article 21 and ask him not to answer until we talk to the 21 from USA Today? 22 22 Court about it. 23 23 Yes. MR. ARNOLD: But I haven't -- okay. All 24 right. We'll do that. 24 Q. On the very bottom of Page 1 of Rage 104 Page 105 1 Exhibit 2, below the words in bold that say, A. I believe they referred to the WWOX 1 "They continued to do it over and over again," 2 paper. 3 it says "Sanders was tipped off to possible 3 Q. Do you recall what they said? 4 discrepancies within some of Croce's articles A. "You should look into this." 4 5 and started to dig in from there." 5 Q. Anything more than that? Do you see that? A. I don't recall. 6 6 A. Yes, I do. 7 Q. Where were you when you had this 7 8 Q. Was that the -- first of all, is that 8 conversation with this person? 9 true? 9 A. In a seminar room. A. Yes. 10 10 O. Where? 11 Q. Who was it who tipped you off --11 A. I do not know. 12 A. I do not know. 12 Q. Was it a man or a woman? 13 Q. You don't know: 13 A. It was a man. 14 A. I do not know. 14 Q. And did he introduce himself and you've 15 Q. Was it anonymous 15 forgotten his name or he never introduced --A. No. 16 A. Probably introduced himself, but I can't 16 17 Q. How would you not know who it is if it's 17 be sure of that. 18 not anonymous? Explain to me how this came to Q. Didn't give you a business card or 18 19 anything -you. 19 20 20 A. I give talks on the arsenic bacteria A. No. 21 21 case. People come up to me and say, you should Q. -- of that nature? 22 look into this. I do not know who they are. 22 MR. NOLAN: Remember to let him finish 23 23 Someone mentioned Dr. Croce. the question. 24 Q. What else did this person say to you? 24 MR. ARNOLD: He's harder on you than I

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- 1 Q. But you didn't when you had no reason to
- 2 think that there was a problem before it was
- 3 published in the Journal of Virology?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. That's a correct statement?
- 6 A. That is a correct statement.
- 7 Q. You were identified in the Journal of
- 8 Virology paper as the last author?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 Q. What responsibility does that assign to
- 11 you as the last author with respect to those
- 12 images?
- 13 A. I'm responsible for them. I didn't
- 14 create them.
- 15 Q. Well, you did more than not create them,
- 16 you -- they were created in a different lab,
- 17 weren't they?
- 18 A. That's correct.
- 19 Q. So you hadn't -- did you have the images
- 20 available to you to review before it was
- 21 published?
- 22 A. I did not have the primary data. I did
- 23 have the images to review, yes.
- Q. And when you looked at the images, you

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 1 didn't see they were the same images being used
 - 2 for two different purposes in the same article?
 - 3 A. I don't recall.
 - 4 Q. When you realized that the same image
 - 5 had been used for two different purposes in the
 - 6 same article, did you contact all of the other
 - 7 authors of the paper to inform them of that?
 - 8 A. I don't know where they currently are.
 - 9 Q. Does that mean you didn't try?
 - 10 A. I talked to Pinter, who would have been
 - 11 the person who would know them.
 - 12 Q. Okay. Did you attempt to contact --
 - 13 A. I did not.
 - 14 Q. -- any of the other authors?
 - 15 A. I did not.
 - 16 Q. Let's go back to Exhibit 2, please,
 - 17 David. Qn(Page 2 of Exhibit 2, very top, it
 - 18 says, "The New York Times article said an
 - 19 anonymous critic also contacted Ohio State and
 - 20 federal authorities in 2013 with allegations of
 - 21 falsified data in more than 30 of Croce's
 - 22 articles."
 - The 2013, 2014 time frame is when you
 - 24 were first contacted by somebody --

- 1 A. That's correct.
- Q. -- about the PNAS article?
- 3 Have you ever made any anonymous
- 4 allegations of plagiarism or falsification
- 5 against Dr. Croce?
- 6 A. I have not.
- 7 Q. Do you know of anybody who has made
- 8 allegations of falsifications or plagiarism
- 9 against Dr. Croce anonymously?
- 10 A. Not personally.
- 11 Q. Personally or otherwise, do you know?
- 12 A. I have been presented with discovery
- 13 that Clare Francis has made allegations.
- 14 Q. Anonymously because he or she is using a
- 15 pseudonym?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Do you know who Clare Francis is?
- 18 /A. I do not.
- 19 \ Q. Have you made any attempt to determine
- 20 who it is?
- 21 A. I have not.
- Q. Have you had any communication with
- 23 Clare Francis directly?
- 24 A. No.

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 Q. The third section down on Page 2 of
 - 2 Exhibit 2 it says, in quotes, if you wanted to
 - 3 just make up data, you could do it in a way
 - 4 that's much more difficult to detect, but they
 - 5 didn't because they were able to get away with
 - 6 this relatively simple manipulation, close
 - 7 quote, Sanders said. Quote, they continued to
 - 8 do it over and over again, close quote.
 - 9 Do you see that?
 - 10 A. Yes.
 - 11 Q. We see that those words are in
 - 12 quotations.
 - 13 A. Yes.
 - Q. And we see that they're attributed to
 - 15 you.
 - 16 A. Yes.
 - 17 Q. Did you say those words?
 - 18 A. Yes.
 - 19 Q. When you were interviewed by the --
 - 20 strike that.
 - When you communicated with the USA Today
 - 22 reporter --
 - 23 A. Yes.
 - Q. -- did you record the conversation?

PORTIONS CONFIDENTIAL Page 126 Page 127 A. I did not. A. Correct. 1 1 2 Q. Do you know if he or she did? 2 Q. And what was the data that you were 3 A. I do not. referring to in connection with the Pichiorri 4 Q. Did you take any notes? article? 5 A. I did not. 5 A. I think I have to provide an Q. Did you make any after the explanation. MR. NOLAN: Go ahead, I'm sorry. 7 communication? 7 A. I did not. A. This version is the corrected article. 8 8 9 Q. Regarding the communication, that is. 9 Q. Which version are we looking at article -- or Exhibit 72? 10 A. I did not. 10 Q. Okay. When I look at the quoted section A. Yes. 11 11 12 of Exhibit 2, it says "If you wanted to just 12 Q. Okay. So Exhibit 72 isn't the article of which you were critical, it's the corrected make up data, you could do it in a way that's 13 14 much more difficult to detect." 14 article? MR. NOLAN: Answer his question. 15 What are you referring to? What data 15 16 are you referring to? 16 A. It's the corrected article, ves. A. Pichiorri, Journal of Experimental Q. All right. Recause I want to be -- I 17 17 18 Medicine. want to be clear about this. So the images that you/identified earlier when we asked about which 19 O. Let's see if we can find that article. 20 ones you were critical of are in the -- are in 20 Is that the image manipulation or --21 21 those locations but they're not the ones we're A. It's image manipulation. Q. What magazine or article was that? looking at here in Exhibit 72? 22 23 A. Experimental Medicine, JEM. 23 A. They are both in the original -- there 24 Q. JEM? Is that item 10 on Exhibit 68? 24 are images both in the original and in the Rage 128 Page 129 1 corrected that are problematic. now. There was a 180-degree flip. Q. Okay. So in both the original article 2 Q. So they were flipped? and the correction there are problems, from your A. Yes. 3 3 perspective? 4 Q. Okay. 5 A. Yes. A. And they were repeated in that Q. All right. In the original article-180-degree flip in the last three lanes over 6 6 A. Yes. 7 7 here. 8 Q. -- it was image duplication? 8 Q. Okay. That was in the original article? 9 A. Correct. 9 A. In the original article. 10 Q. In the corrected article that we see 10 O. All right. And so I assume what you 11 identified -- or allegedly corrected article -would have expected would be to have the E image 12 as Exhibit 72, image duplication as well? inverted 180 degrees to be accurate? 13 A. Yes. 13 A. No. Q. All right. Explain to me what happened 14 14 O. No? 15 in Exhibit 72 which did not correct the original 15 A. What I would expect is these shouldn't look anything like these. They're totally article. 16 17 A. I need to explain what happened separate samples. They have completely 18 originally. different origins. They are labeled 18 Q. Please do. completely -- these should not resemble these in 19 19 A. But I don't have the images in front of any way, shape, or form. 20 20

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Q. I understand that, but what I'm saying,

in order to get the article corrected the way

you would have expected, since the image --

24 since the figures in B were flipped 180 degrees,

21 me.

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O. I didn't know there was a difference.

24 in the original from what they currently are

A. These three lanes in 1-E were inverted

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1 to correct that problem you would have flipped

- 2 them back 180 degrees to start? No?
- 3 A. I don't know why they were subsequently
- 4 flipped. That wasn't the issue. The issue was
- 5 that these were the same as these in the
- 6 original article.
- 7 I have no idea why they would have
- 8 flipped them in the correction. That doesn't
- 9 actually correct anything.
- 10 Q. Yeah, I agree. And maybe I
- 11 misunderstood you. Are you saying they got
- 12 flipped 180 degrees in the correction --
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. -- but in the original article they were
- 15 properly placed?
- 16 A. I don't know.
- 17 Q. You have no idea?
- 18 A. I do not know.
- 19 Q. Okay. And in any event, whether they
- 20 were flipped or not, they shouldn't appear in
- 21 the image we see as the second image on the --
- 22 of F?
- A. Correct. But not only did this get
- 24 flipped for some reason that is unexplained, but

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- 1 Q. This may be the article.
- 2 -=0=-
- 3 (Exhibit 74 marked.)
- 4 -=0=-
- 5 BY MR. ARNOLD:
- 6 Q. Dr. Sanders, I've marked now Plaintiff's
- 7 Exhibit 74 as a Cancer Cell article that looks
- 8 like it was, on the bottom, published October
- 9 19, 2010. Is that the article to which you're
- 10 referring?
- 11 A. Yes, this is.
- 12 Q. And that's the article identified on
- 13 Exhibit 68 as Number 8?
- 14 A. I'm sorry? $\langle \rangle$
- 15 Q. That's the one that's identified as
- 16 Number 8 on Exhibit 68?
- 17 A. Oh, yes. Yes./
- 18 Q. I know sometimes it's laborious, but
- 19 when we have to go back and read this, we have
- 20 to --
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. Now having Exhibit 74 in front of you,
- 23 can you show me the images?
- A. So it is this and this and it is

1 these originate from a 2010 paper with Pichiorri

- 2 as the first author, and I believe Dr. Croce as
- 2 dl l d dl Id N l 0
- 3 the last author. It is Number 8.
- 4 Q. Okay. Thank you. So Number 8 was
- 5 published in Cancer Cell 2010?
- 6 A. Correct.
- Q. And it looks like Number 10 of
- 8 Exhibit 68 was published in the Journal -- in
- 9 JEM in April of 2013?
 - A. Correct.

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- O. When --
- 12 A. If I'm not mistaken, these are, in fact,
- 13 flipped from -- \180-degree flipped from that
- 14 image, but I'm not certain.
- 15 Q. Okay. For purposes of the record, we'll
- 16 have no idea what you just referred to, so can
- 17 you refer to it?
- 18 A. These this bottom panel of 1-F, those
- 19 bands -- that image is present in -- I don't
- 20 recall which figure but it is present in the
- 21 2010 article. //believe it's 180-degree
- 22 flipped. Once again, this is a totally separate
- 23 experiment -- you know, it's a totally separate
- 24 experiment from the 2010 article.

- 1 180-degree flipped.
- 2 Q. How, if you know, are four lanes copied
- 3 into or from an image that has five lanes?
- 4 A. It was only these four lanes that are 5 copied.
- 6 Q. It's not -- I guess what I'm saying, are
- 7 these images finite or is it possible to take
- 8 only the four lanes and then reuse them
- 9 someplace else?
- 10 A. Yes, it is possible to take just the
- 11 four lanes.
- 12 Q. Okay. I'm just naive about it.
- 13 A. That's okay.
- Q. How is that accomplished, do you know?
- 15 Is it Photoshop?
- 16 A. Your guess is as good as mine.
- 17 Q. Is there a -- a preferred falsification
- 18 software?
- 19 A. Photoshop makes things easy.
- Q. Okay. I'm assuming it's Photoshop, but
- 21 if there are other programs, I'm unaware of
- 22 them. You don't either?
- A. I don't know how they did this.
- 24 Q. Okay.

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1 A. I only feel confident that it happened.

- 2 Q. How did you detect the image
- 3 manipulation between these two papers?
- 4 A. I'm embarrassed to say some part of my
- 5 brain has blots permanently burned into them.
- 6 Q. So I take it from what you just said,
- 7 you just looked at it and remembered it as being
- 8 an image you'd seen someplace else?
- 9 A. Vaguely, yes.
- 10 Q. Are you --
- 11 A. Perhaps I should say this is one of the
- 12 ones where I found other issues, so I was
- 13 familiar with this paper.
- 14 Q. Okay. When you're referring to this
- 15 paper, by exhibit number --
- 16 A. I apologize. Number 74, this is on your
- 17 list as Number 8, so I was familiar with the
- 18 paper because of -- yes, other -- other images.
- 19 Q. Okay. What other images of Exhibit 74?
- 20 A. I recall this one is problematic.
- Q. You have to identify it by --
- 22 A. 3-E.
- MR. NOLAN: Is there a page number?
- 24 A. Page 372.

- 1 Q. Thank you.
 - 2 A. Figure 4-A. It's hard to see in this
 - 3 image but there were other ones -- there are
 - 4 other images here as well.
 - Q. In Exhibit 74?
 - 6 A. Yes.

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- 7 Q. Exhibit 74 is the Cancer Cell 2010?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. How did that come to your attention in
- 10 the first place?
- 11 A. Once I saw the issue with WWOX, I
- 12 started looking/at a small number of other
- 13 papers that had Dr. Croce as an author and I
- 14 would find these sorts of issues.
- 15 Q. How many of Dr. Croce's papers have you
- 16 examined for image duplication or manipulation?
- 17 A. I do not know.
- 18 Q. Is it your intent to examine them all?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. How many of Dr. -- how many of the
- 21 papers on which Dr. Croce's identified as an
- 22 author have you examined for purposes of
- 23 determining if there's any plagiarism?
- 24 A. I do not know.

- 1 Q. Is there a range with which you're
- 2 comfortable?
- 3 A. Over 30.
- 4 Q. Same question for the image duplication
- 5 or manipulation, is there a range with which
- 6 you're comfortable with the number of papers
- 7 you've examined or had examined of Dr. Croce's?
- 8 A. Over 30.
- 9 Q. That only means it's less than 30. Have
- 10 you looked at 100, 200, do you have any idea?
- 11 A. I do not know. I know over 30. That I
- 12 can say confidently.
- 13 Q. Referring then to Cancer Cell 2010 --
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. -- those images?
- 16 Do you know who actually prepared those
- 17 images before they were published?
- 18 //MR. NOLAN: Do you know? Answer that.
- 19 \ \A. No.
- 20 Q. Do you know if they were prepared in
- 21 Dr. Croce's lab or another lab?
- A. Yes, I know.
- Q. Were they prepared in Dr. Croce's lab?
- 24 A. Yes.

- Q. By whom?
- 2 A. I do not know.
- 3 Q. What makes you think those images were
- created in Dr. Croce's lab?
- 5 MR. NOLAN: Is that --
- 6 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 7 MR. NOLAN: I instruct him not to answer
- 8 until we sort out our issue.
- 9 MR. ARNOLD: Okay.
- 10 BY MR. ARNOLD:
- 11 Q. Do you have any information that
- 12 Dr. Croce saw the images that appear in Cancer
- 13 Cell 2010 before they were published?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. Did you ever attempt to contact
- 16 Dr. Croce or any of the authors of Cancer Cell
- 17 2010 before you registered your complaints about
- 18 it?
- 19 A. I did not.
- Q. Once again, because you just didn't know
- 21 any of the authors?
- 22 A. That's correct.
- Q. Do you know if Dr. Croce even
- 24 participated in the preparation of those images

Page 138 Page 139 before they were published in Cancer Cell 2010? A. I have not. 1 2 A. I do not. 2 Q. Have you had any communication with any Q. Have you made any accusation of image 3 institution about the images that we see in 4 manipulation or duplication against any of the Exhibit 74? other authors of Cancer Cell 2010? 5 A. Yes. MR. NOLAN: Other than as it relates O. Which institution? 6 6 7 MR. NOLAN: I'm going to instruct him to --7 8 THE WITNESS: You have to rephrase that. 8 not to answer. BY MR. ARNOLD: 9 MR. ARNOLD: Bill, all due respect, it Q. Other than Dr. Croce, have you made any 10 doesn't go to the communication; it's the author 10 allegation of image manipulation or duplication and recipient of a communication. 11 11 MR. NOLAN: I understand, Jim, and I'm arising out of the images we see in Exhibit 74? 12 12 not -- I'm not -- but we've got an instruction A. I have not made any allegation against 13 13 14 Dr. Croce with regard to the images in this from Ohio State that concerns me without court 15 paper. 15 direction. Q. I thought we had agreed that Exhibit 68, 16 MR. ARNOLD: All right. Let's do this: 16 17 Number 8, Cancer Cell 2010, was one where you Why don't we take a break --17 18 had made -- oh, that's falsification? 18 MR. NOLAN: And lunch is here, by the 19 way 19 A. No, I have not made any allegations 20> MR. ARNOLD: Let's do that. Let's take 20 against Dr. Croce for falsification or 21 fabrication. I have said that there is some lunch and see if we can get some time with Magistrate Judge Deavers and see if we can sort 22 fabrication or falsification in these papers. 23 Q. Have you had any communication with 23 that out. 24 Dr. Pichiorri about the images in Exhibit 74? 24 MR. NOLAN: Okay. Understood. Rage 140 Page 141 1 -=0=-A. Two things. One is, I'm not sure that 1 2 actually this list is all my accusations as it Thereupon, the luncheon recess was taken 3 happens. Some of them I simply don't recall. at 12:08 p.m. 4 -=O=-That's first. 5 MARCH 28, 2019 5 Q. Let me stop you there, then. I THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION apologize for interrupting. Which ones do you 6 6 7 7 identify --1:02 P.M. 8 -=()=-8 A. I don't recall 24. 9 BY MR. ARNOLD: 9 Q. I take it since you don't have any Q. We're back on the record. Dr. Sanders, recollection of 24, you wouldn't know who 10 11 I want to look at Exhibit 68 again, if you 11 prepared those images? 12 wouldn't mind. 12 A. No. 13 A. Yes. 13 Q. Any others that you can identify for me Q. I'm going to try to do this in a 14 14 that are not yours? 15 broad-brush fashion so we don't have to go 15 A. You know, I -- I mean, I don't recall 16 through each and every one of these pages. some of them, but -- like I don't recall 21. 16 17 These are at least my compilation of those 17 Q. And, again, for any one that you don't 18 allegations that there has been image recall, I assume you wouldn't know who --18 manipulation or duplication as we talked about 19 19 A. No. 20 earlier. 20 Q. -- prepared the images; would that be In connection with any of the 21 21 correct? 22 manipulations we see identified on Exhibit 68, 22 A. That's correct. do you know who actually prepared the images 23 Q. Any others that you --24 that are the subject of the allegation? 24 A. I don't recall -- I mean, there were --

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- 1 O. Why not?
- 2 A. As I mentioned before, what we were
- 3 discussing was the Pichiorri paper. If you
- 4 would have asked me Pichiorri, I would have said
- 5 I'm not sure. I may have mentioned Pichiorri.
- 6 Q. Okay. I appreciate you saying that.
- 7 Other than Pichiorri, do you have a
- 8 recollection of mentioning any other author?
- 9 A. I do not believe so.
- 10 Q. And putting aside Pichiorri, why didn't
- 11 you mention the other authors?
- 12 A. Because the issue that we were focused
- 13 on was the JEM article.
- 14 Q. JEM was --
- 15 A. Pichiorri, et al., 2013. I don't recall
- 16 the number. I'm sorry.
- MR. NOLAN: That's fine. He'll ask
- 18 you --
- MR. ARNOLD: That's more than I could
- 20 expect of you.
- 21 BY MR. ARNOLD:
- Q. Was that plagiarism or falsification, do
- 23 you remember?
- 24 A. Falsification.
 - Q. Was it with Meghan Holden?
- 2 A. Yes.

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- 3 Q. Did you know Miss Holden before this
- 4 interview?
- 5 A. I did.
- 6 Q. How did you and she come in contact
- 7 before the day you had the interview?
- 8 A. I think she contacted me and said, "I'd
- 9 like to interview you about this. I read -- I'd
- 10 like to have an interview with you."
- 11 Q. You didn't contact her, she contacted
- 12 you?
- 13 A. I believe that she contacted me.
- 14 Q. Let's go to the second page of
- 15 Exhibit 2, please. I think we started down on
- 16 the third paragraph (It says -- you told me
- 17 that you did say this quote, if you wanted to
- 18 just make up data, you could do it in a way
- 19 that's much more difficult to detect.
- What did you mean by that?
- 21 MR NOLAN: See where he is?
- THE WITNESS: Yes, I see now.
- A. The data in the corrected version of
- 24 1-F --

- 1 Q. Number 10. You didn't discuss any other
- 2 articles with the USA Today reporter --
- 3 A. No, not that I recall.
- 4 Q. -- other than the JEM article of '13?
 - A. Not that I recall. I may have alluded
- to the Cancer Cell Pichiorri, because that was
- 7 where the image originated, as I was showing you
- 8 before.
- 9 Q. Sure.
- 10 A. I may have -- I don't know -> I don't
- 11 know that I did, but that -- that would have
- 12 been the only other thing I would have referred
- 13 to.
- 14 Q. Was this communication you had with the
- 15 USA Today reporter over the telephone?
- 16 A. No, I believe it was in person.
- 17 Q. Where at?
- 18 A. I believe it was in my office.
- 19 Q. At Purdue?
- 20 A. Yes.)
- 21 Q. Did you tell me how long it lasted?
- 22 A. 30 minutes.
- 23 Vas anyone else present?
- **A.** No one else was present.

Q. I follow.

- 2 A. -- is taken from 2010 Cancer Cell. They
- 3 could have put some other random bands from some
- 4 other thing that they had never used before and
- 5 one would not have been able to detect it.
- 6 Q. Who are you suggesting was making up
- 7 data?

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- 8 A. Whoever submitted the correction.
 - Q. It says, "But they didn't because they
- 10 were able to get away with this relatively
- 11 simple man manipulation."
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. To whom were you referring when you
- 14 referred to "they"?
- 15 A. The co-authors who were responsible for
- 16 this correction.
- 17 Q. Do you know who that was?
- 18 A. Only by inference.
- 19 Q. Who do you infer it was?
- 20 A. Pichiorri.
- Q. Do you see Pichiorri's name anywhere in
- 22 the USA Today article mentioned -- or identified
- 23 as Exhibit 2?
- MR. NOLAN: Do you want him to read it?

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PORTIONS CONFIDENTIAL March 28, 2019 Page 154 Page 155 MR. ARNOLD: Sure. according to the Times investigation." 1 2 (Pause in proceedings.) 2 Do you see that? A. Yes. 3 A. No, I do not. 3 4 Q. Do you see any of the authors of that 4 Q. Do you see reference to any other of the particular manuscript name appearing in this co-authors of this article having received article other than Dr. Croce's? grants other than Croce? 7 7 A. I do not. A. No. 8 Q. Let's go to Page 3 of Exhibit 2, please. Q. Did you say the fact that the co-authors 8 9 Several paragraphs down it says, in 9 are getting grants? A. I used the word "they." 10 quotes, the fact that they're getting grants, 10 having engaged in this activity, means somebody Q. And you were referring to Dr. Croce, 11 else who is honest is not receiving them, close 12 weren't you? 13 quote, Sanders said. 13 A. No, I was not. 14 Do you see that? 14 Q. You were referring to someone other than 15 A. Yes. 15 Dr. Croce? A. Dr. Croce was one of the people. 16 Q. Did you say that? 16 A. I have no reason to believe that I did Q. And then it goes on to say, "On top of 17 17 18 not. that, acts of fraud and dishonesty undermine public trust in science." 19 Q. Who were you referring to when you said 19 20> Do you see that? 20 "they are getting grants"? A. The authors of these -- of these papers. 21 A. I'm sorry, I do not see that. 21 Q. It's just below the phrase we were 22 22 Q. A couple paragraphs above it says, 23 "Croce has received more than 6 million in looking at where it says, "who is honest is not 24 receiving them." 24 federal grants as a principal investigator, Rage 156 Page 157 1 A. Yeah. about receiving grants, then you say grants are 2 MR. NOLAN: Do you see it was the being given to people who are not honest. And then it says on top of that, acts of fraud and 3 question. A. I see it, yes. dishonesty. 4 4 5 Q. All right. Did you say that? 5 Do you see anybody's name in the several A. It's not in quotations, so it suggests paragraphs that I just paraphrased other than 6 6 7 that I said something like that but not Dr. Croce's? necessarily that. 8 A. No. Q. Okay. In form or substance, did you say 9 MR. NOLAN: Object to form. Give me a 10 something like that? chance -- object to form. You can answer. A. I would -- I would say yes, 11 11 A. No. I did not write the article. Q. And when it talks about acts of fraud 12 12 Q. Farther below, couple paragraphs, it 13 and dishonesty, to whom were you referring? says Sanders has a, quote, wait and see A. It's a general statement. 14 14 attitude. Do you see that? Q. Well, whose acts were you referring to? 15 15 A. Yes. A. People who violate public trust. 16 16 Q. Did you say that? Q. Including Dr. Croce? 17 17 A. Let me read what it says here. A. I don't know. I don't know, you know, 18 Wait and see is not a quotation from me. 18 what this -- and it's hard to know what this is. 19 19 I believe that's just a -- I think that's just 20 It's not even a quotation, it's just sort of a a -- it's in quotations because it's a phrase. 20

Q. Yeah, in a general sense, where

general sense.

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general thing. I was probably talking in a

21 I don't think that's a quotation of me.

realize you didn't write this.

Q. All right. I just want to be sure -- I

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- Q. But sometimes we see quotations around
- your words, and you agree that you did speak
- 3 them?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And then we see quotations around other
- 6 words that are words you're not sure or you
- 7 didn't speak?
- A. Yes. 8
- 9 Q. Okay.
- 10 A. So -- yes.
- Q. Let's go to Exhibit 1, please. I don't 11
- 12 think you have that yet.
- And, Doctor, if you wouldn't mind, take 13
- 14 a moment and read Exhibit 64 and let me know
- 15 when you're done.
- (Pause in proceedings.) 16
- THE WITNESS: Yes. 17
- 18 BY MR. ARNOLD:
- Q. Do you recognize Exhibit -- Exhibit 64, 19
- 20 please?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. This appears to be an exchange of
- several e-mails with Mr. Glanz? 23
- 24 A. Correct.

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- Do you see that? 1
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Now, the 23 to which that refers is the
- 4 list of publications we see attached to this?
- A. It could be. I didn't -- if it -- what
- 6 I would have done is -- I did not generate this
- 7 list. I might have said as a -- I/think/I
- 8 ticked off some things for him, but / I didn't
- actually generate these this information.
- Q. Did Glanz provide it to you? 10
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And then you just checked it for
- 13 validity?
- 14 A. I don't even -/ I mean, I don't recall,
- 15 but this is -- I didn't write this -- you know,
- the -- all these things here. 16
- Q. Okay. Tappreciate that. So the list 17
- 18 that starts at what says box score at the top is
- 19 a list that you --
- 20 A. You know, what may have -- may have
- 21 happened he sent it to me and then I sent, you
- 22 know, there's this and this -- I think what
- probably happened -- I don't know. What
- 24 probably happened is he sent me a list, I marked

- Q. And I assume when I see, From David A. 1
- Sanders, you would agree that you obviously
- 3 wrote the text of that message?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. If you wouldn't mind, go back to -- oh,
- four or five pages back where the Bates stamped
- number is DS1917.
- A. Yes. 8

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- Q. And on the top of that page it says box
- score. Do you see that? < 10
- A. Yes. 11
- 12 Q. What did you mean by that?
- A. I do not believe that's my box score. I 13
- believe that's Jim Glanz's box score. 14
- 15 Q. Do you know what he intended to convey
- to you by using the term "box score"? 16
- A. I think it was his list that he 17
- 18 generated.
- Q. If we go to the first page of 19
- 20>Exhibit 64)
- 21 Yes.
- 22 Q. -- it says, "Jim, I have attached my
- hist of 23 in which I have been involved along
- with some comments."

- 1 off some ones that were, and maybe I may have 2 added some more. But, for example, I had, you
- 3 know, nothing to do with this retraction that's
- 4 listed here.
- 5 Q. What are you referring to, David?
- 6 A. On Page 1921, this retraction, Are
- 7 circRNAs -- so I'm not sure -- I had nothing to
- do with that and never claimed to have.
- Q. Okay. Slow down, if you wouldn't mind,
- just one second. What are you referring to on
- 11 Page 1921?
- 12 A. The last one, retraction, Genetics: Are
- 13 circRNAs involved in cancer pathogenesis?
- 14 I mean -- I think that's -- I had
- nothing to do with that. 15
- 16 Q. Okay.
- 17 A. I don't -- several of these, I don't
- recall any involvement. I'm pretty sure this is
- 19 not my list.
- 20 Q. Okay.
- 21 A. That I did not generate that list.
- 22 Q. When did you first meet Mr. Glanz?
- 23 A. He came and visited me at Purdue. I
- 24 don't recall the dates. I don't recall.

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Q. That's the question. When? 1

- 2 A. I don't recall the date.
- 3 Q. Do you recall the year?
- 4 A. 2016.
- 5 Q. Do you have Exhibit 6 yet? If not, I'll
- give that to you.
- 7 A. 2015 or 2016.
- 8 Q. Okay. Let me refer you to Exhibit 6,
- 9 Page 3. And you'll see in the answer to
- 10 interrogatory Number 2, it says you met only
- 11 with Mr. Glanz and other individuals named or
- 12 understands to be affiliated with The New York
- 13 Times once in West Lafayette, Indiana, on
- 14 September 26-27, 2016, and once in New York
- 15 City.
- A. It was 2016. 16
- Q. Okay. 17
- 18 A. Those are -- those seem like the correct
- 19 dates.
- 20 Q. I hope so. That's what you said they
- 21 were.
- Was it a two-day conference with you and 22
- 23 Mr. Glanz; is that why it spanned 26-27?
- 24 A. I believe so, yes.

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- 1 26th and Glanz's arrival in West Lafayette.
- 2 When you first met with him, I think you said it
- 3 was at your office?
- 4 A. Correct.
- Q. How long did you two meet the first time
- 6 you met each other at your office?
- A. We probably spent the whole day -- I'm
- 8 not sure whether he came in the evening or came
- 9 in the evening and crashed before my actually
- 10 meeting him. I don't reeall. But we spent much
- 11 of the day.
- Q. Was it during the work week? 12
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Okay. Did you spend two days with
- 15 him -- because I see it says 26, 27 -- or did
- you spend one day with him? 16
- A. As I said, I think I recall a single day 17
- 18 that he came in, maybe late in the afternoon or
- 19 something like that, and I -- you know, didn't
- 20 actually see him, but that's when he came.
- 21 Q. Understood. Okay.
- A. Best of my recollection. 22
- 23 Q. All right. I take it if you met most of
- 24 the day, you probably got together sometime in

- 1 Q. I assume he flew into -- at Indiana?
- 2 A. I do not know.
- 3 Q. When did you first meet him in Indiana?
- I realize this is September 26th, according to
- this answer, but where in West Lafavette?
- A. I would have met him at my office, I 6
- believe. I -- I mean, I don't recall whether --
- I don't recall when exactly.
- 9 Q. I assume you and he spoke on at least
- 10 several occasions before he came to West
- Lafayette to meet with you?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Generally, what were those discussions
- leading up to September 26th?
- A. I mean, most of the exchange is by 15
- 16 e-mail. The telephone were just things like
- clarification or -
- 18 (Telephone ringing.)
 - MR. NOLAN: This is the Court.
- 20> MR. ARNOLD: Go off the record.
- 21 (Discussion off the record.)
- BY MR, ARNOLD: 22
- 23 Q I'm not sure exactly where we left off,
- 24 David, but I think we started with September

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the morning --

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- 2 A. Yeah.
- 3 Q. -- at your office?
- And what was the purpose of your 4
- A. He wanted to see how western blots were 6
- 7 done.

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- 8 Q. Did you show him?
 - A. Yes.
- 10 Q. How did you show him?
- 11 A. Well, I showed him the apparatus that
- was used. I had gels, I had paper, sort of
- showed him all the steps and explained to him
- how -- how it runs, what you do, where you
- 15 incubate things, stuff like that.
- 16 Q. That's a process that can take several
- 17 days or longer to create the form that will
- ultimately result in western blots? 18
- 19 A. Normally one day.
- 22 Q. Okay. I've only watched it on YouTube.
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- 1 that's what he needed to do.
- Was there anything else you and he did
- 3 other than you showed him how to make western
- 4 blots?
- 5 MR. NOLAN: Let him finish.
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 O. What else?
- 8 A. We discussed some of the images.
- 9 Q. Do you recall what images?
- 10 A. The WWOX.
- 11 Q. Would it be appropriate for me to assume
- 12 that most of your conversation was about WWOX
- 13 with Mr. Glanz, in terms of specific papers?
- 14 A. Yes, in terms of specific papers, yes,
- 15 that would be WWOX.
- 16 Q. What did you and he discuss, best you
- 17 can recall?
- 18 A. We discussed how I looked at the
- 19 figures. I mentioned to him that I used one of
- 20 the figures in a class and I had a PowerPoint,
- 21 and I showed him that PowerPoint. And he asked
- 22 me how would you describe this PowerPoint, and/
- 23 told him.
- Q. What did you tell him?

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- 1 unrelated things, but...
- 2 Q. Did you go to dinner together?
- 3 A. I don't think so.
- 4 Q. Did you go anyplace other than your
- 5 office with Mr. Glanz?
- 6 A. We went to a classroom so we could show
- 7 a PowerPoint, and we went to my laboratory.
- 8 Q. Did you exchange any documents with
- 9 Mr. Glanz when you met with him in West
- 10 Lafayette?
- 11 A. I don't believe so. We exchanged quite
- 12 a few documents by --
- 13 Q. E-mail?
- 14 A. -- electronic mail, yes.
- 15 Q. Did you spend two days with Mr. Glanz,
- 16 I'm unclear on that or did you spend one day
- 17 with Mr. Glanz in West Lafayette?
- 18 A. I recall one day. I cannot say there
- 19 weren't parts of a second day, but I recall one
- 20 day.
- 21 Q. I heard you say earlier that most of
- 22 your communications with Mr. Glanz were via
- 23 e-mail?
- 24 A. Correct.

1 A. I told him I would put it up and ask

2 people to take a look at this, see if they saw

- 3 anything interesting.
- 4 Q. And you do this in a sophomore biology
- 5 class?
- 6 A. Yeah, it was -- I think it was my
- 7 protein expression class that -- oh, I don't
- 8 recall what years they are, but it was a --)it
-) was an undergraduate class.
- 10 Q. I'll represent to you that the Times
- 11 article says your sophomore class.
- 12 A. I can't be/sure of that.
- Q. Don't know? Did you show him the
- 14 PowerPoint?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Do you still have the PowerPoint?
- 17 A. Yes, I believe we've provided it in
- 18 discovery.
- 19 Q. All right. Very good. What else, after
- 20 you talked about the PowerPoint and looked at
- 21 the PowerPoint, did you and Mr. Glanz do?
- 22 A. You know, it's hard to understand how we

filed against you, have you spoken to Mr. Glanz

- 23 occupied the day, but we just talked about
- 24 that -- you know, we talked about other

- 1 Q. Since this litigation by Dr. Croce was
- 3 about the litigation?
- 4 A. I have not -- yes, I spoke to him
- 5 immediately after the litigation.
- 6 MR. NOLAN: Answer the question.
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. I know you said immediately after the
- 9 litigation, but I assume -- was it by e-mail,
- 10 telephone call, personal --
- 11 A. Telephone.
 - Q. Did you call him?
- 13 A. I don't recall.
- 14 Q. What did you and he discuss?
- 15 A. I believe I saw that -- that The
- 16 New York Times was being sued also.
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 A. And so he just said yep, you know, we're
- 19 being sued also. We don't think he has a case.
- Q. Anything else that you can remember in
- 21 that conversation that you can relate to me
- 22 today?
- 23 A. No.
- Q. And you haven't spoken to him since that

Page 170 Page 171 1 conversation on the telephone? 1 not the relevant thing. 2 A. No. 2 Q. Gotcha. All right. 3 Q. We've mentioned PowerPoint presentations 3 Your answer to interrogatory 2, I think 4 a couple times. Once in connection with the it is in Exhibit 6, says you also met with 5 lectures outside of the university and now Mr. Glanz in New York City? 6 you've mentioned one that you've given to a A. That's correct. 6 Q. And it indicates you were there for 7 class at the university. A. Correct. other reasons on December 22, 2016? 8 Q. Are -- is the PowerPoint presentation 9 A. That's correct. 10 the same for both or are they two different? 10 Q. Why were you in New York? A. I have family in New York. A. They're two different. 11 11 12 Q. Are there more than two, or are those 12 Q. All right. Where did you -- did you meet with Mr. Glanz personally? 13 all of the PowerPoint presentations on images 13 14 that you are giving? 14 A. Yes. 15 A. So -- yes, there are not more than two, 15 O. Where at? 16 there's just -- there's two. 16 A. A restaurant. Q. Which one? Q. Are you still giving that --17 17 18 A. Yes. 18 A. I don't recall. 19 Q. -- PowerPoint presentation to your 19 Q. Tassume he picked it --20> 20 class? Yes.) 21 - being a New York native? 21 A. No, no, I don't use it in my classes. Q. Okay. Was there a reason you stopped 22 A. Yes. 22 23 using it? 23 Q Was it just for lunch or dinner? 24 A. The classes that I'm teaching, that's 24 **A.** It was dinner. Rage 172 Page 173 Q. Did you and he discuss Dr. Croce in any an article published. 1 respect during that conversation? 2 Q. Do you remember the date on which the 3 A. I don't know. That wasn't -- I don't 3 article was published? 4 know. 4 A. It was in March 2017. 5 O. You don't remember? 5 Q. Was it March 6th? Let's go to Exhibit 1 -- I don't think we've got -- oh, we 6 A. I don't remember. Q. Tell me what you do remember about what do have 1. Okay. It's too small for me to 8 you and he discussed on December 22nd in read. It might be March 8th. 8 9 New York City. 9 A. Yes, that's right. A. He was there with his girlfriend and we 10 Q. How did you first become aware that the 10 11 discussed Purdue Pharma I recall. 11 article came out on March 8th? 12 Q. Oxycodone? 12 A. I don't know. 13 A. Yes. 13 Q. The New York Times has a daily report, 14 Q. Oxycodone? 14 for lack of a better way to describe it, that I 15 A. Yes. get each morning about the news in the paper Q. Anything else that you can remember? 16 that day. Do you get that? 16 A Probably my involvement in politics. 17 17 A. I do not. Q. Anything that I would care about? Q. And you have no recollection today as we 18 18 A. I'm thinking -- I'm thinking. You know sit here how you first became aware that it got 19 20 published that day? my -20 21 21 MR. NOLAN: Objection to form, and A. I do not. 22 Q. Do you remember understanding that it 22 foundation. 23 23 A. The most -- if there were anything, it came out on March 8th, whether or not you read

24 it that day?

24 would be about if and when there was going to be

Page 198 Page 199 published? 1 interview. 2 A. I think the -- no, I don't. I don't. 2 Do you see that? 3 Q. Have I exhausted you about any 3 A. Yes. 4 4 information with respect to passages that may Q. Did you say that to Mr. Glanz? have been written by Dr. Croce that you believe 5 may have been plagiarized? Q. What is "it's," when it says "it's a 6 reckless disregard for the truth? 7 A. I -- yes, I think so, yes. 8 (Recess taken.) A. That 3, 4, and 5 are not duplicated in 8 BY MR. ARNOLD: 6, 7, and 8 in that figure. Q. Dr. Sanders, would you take Exhibit 1, 10 Q. That's the WWOX paper? 10 please. And I think I had asked you earlier 11 A. Yes, the one that's right here. 11 12 that you did not see any drafts of article [sic] 12 Q. Okay. After -- I assume you read this article several times? 13 1 before it was published --13 14 A. No. 14 A. Only once. 15 O. -- that's correct? 15 Q. The original time you got it on March A. That's correct. 16 16 Q. We've talked about when you received it, A. Yes. 17 17 18 what you did with it after you did receive it. 18 Q. Okay. Do you recall seeing the name of 19 any of the other research scientists in this 19 I want to go through the article on 20 several locations to see what information you do 20 article other than Dr. Croce in connection with 21 the WWOX paper? 21 have about it. Let's turn to Page 2 of 22 22 Exhibit 1. And at the very top of the page it A. I don't recall. I don't recall. 23 says, quote, it's a reckless disregard for the 23 Q All right. There are photographs of 24 truth, close quote, Dr. Sanders said in an 24 only Dr. Croce in this article, correct? Rage 200 Page 201 1 Insofar as researchers are concerned. inaccurate? 2 2 A. There's one of me, but yes. A. I -- I'm not sure it would be sophomore. 3 Q. Well, you're a research scientist, too, 3 Q. Okay. It says, as a predicate to that, 4 aren't you? Dr. Croce's papers in a particularly direct 5 A. Yes, so it's -way -- well, let's start at the beginning. Q. All right. I stand corrected. Where "Dr. Sanders, the Purdue virologist, 6 6 did -- where was that photo taken? tests his analysis of data falsification in It's on Page 12 of Exhibit 1. Dr. Croce's papers in a particularly direct way: 9 A. New York City. He teaches one of them to his sophomore biology students as an example of scientific 10 O. By whom? 11 A. Victor Blue. 11 misconduct." Q. Was that somebody associated with 12 12 Are those sentences sentences or 13 Mr. Glanz? 13 statements that you made to Dr. -- or to A. He was associated with The New York 14 14 Mr. Glanz? 15 Times. 15 A. Those -- I mean, those aren't --Q. Okay. (And Glanz is part of The Times? Q. Not verbatim --16 16 17 17 A. -- quotations but I -- yes, I -- yes. Q. All right. This is the page where I see Q. At any time when you spoke to Mr. Glanz 18 18 it says, on the second sentence down, "He 19 19 about this article did you ask him to include teaches one of them to his sophomore biology the identity of some or all of the other 20 20 21 students as an example of scientific 21 researchers who had also participated in the 22 misconduct." 22 authorship of these papers? 23 23 That's where I picked up that it was to A. I didn't make any requests to Mr. Glanz. 24 your sophomore class. Would that be accurate or 24 Q. Did you use -- in the reverse of that,

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a celebration, without regard to the level?

2 Only because I don't know.

3 A. Is this on the record or off the record?

4 Q. We can go off the record.

5 A. Well, I prefer.

6 Q. Okay. That's fine. Let's just go off.

7 (Discussion off the record.)

8 BY MR. ARNOLD:

Q. Understanding that this is a minor,

10 minor celebration, how was it that you ended up

11 in the same place with Mr. Weitzman? I mean was

12 there a connection or a relationship somewhere

13 that brought you both to the same barbecue?

14 A. I guess we have mutual friends.

15 Q. Okay. Is that what the connection was?

16 A. Yeah.

17 Q. All right. Can you recall anything else

18 that Mr. Weitzman said to you at that barbecue

19 about Dr. Croce?

20 A. That's pretty much the -- the crux of

21 the matter.

22 Q. Okay. Thank you. Do you know what

23 Mr. -- or Dr. Weitzman teaches at Penn State?

A. He's at University of Pennsylvania, not

Page 214 1 at Penn State.

2 Q. Oh, I'm sorry. That will really offend

3 someone.

4 A. Yes.

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5 Q. What does he teach -- what's he a

6 professor of? Don't know?

7 A. I don't know.

Q. Okay. Is that a complete summary of all

9 the people from whom you've gotten what

10 Mr. Glanz refers to as tips about Dr. Croce?

11 A. Yeah.

12 Q. The seminar and Professor Weitzman?

13 A. Yeah.

14 Q. Okay. It goes on to say, in quotes, a

15 lab that is engaging in violating scientific

16 norms is being rewarded for that very effort.

17 Do you see that?

18 A. Xes.

19 Q. Did you say those words?

20 A. I believe so, yes.

21 Q. And to whom -- whose lab were you

22 referring?

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23 A. I was referring to the people -- the

24 co-authors of Dr. Croce.

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Q. Which co-authors?
 A. On the papers that I was concerned

3 about.

4 Q. At the time, was it just WWOX?

5 A. Oh, no.

6 Q. By that time, it had grown?

7 A. That's correct.

8 Q. Can you give me the names of the

9 co-authors that you were referring to when you

10 said, "A lab that is engaging in violating

11 scientific norms is being rewarded for that very

12 effort?"

13 A. I was concerned about obviously the

14 Fabbri paper, Garofalo papers, Pichiorri papers,

15 Iorio papers.

16 Q. Okay. (When you said that, did you

17 intend to imply Dr. Croce's lab?

18 A. Yes. I mean -- yes.

19 \ Q. Økay. So it wasn't just the co-authors

20 that you just identified, it was Dr. Croce as

21 well?

22 A. I'm talking about the lab. I -- when we

23 talk about the lab, it includes all the -- the

24 co-authors, too. I didn't -- I, for example,

1 would not have known Iliopoulos was not a member2 of his lab.

Q. Fabbri wasn't part of it either, was he?

4 A. Fabbri was part of the lab.

5 O. Was?

6 A. Yes. Huebner is not part of the lab.

7 I -- you know, you see authors that are

8 associated over and over again, they all say

9 Ohio State, you sort of make the assumption that

10 these are --

11 Q. All right. Well, so --

12 A. -- lab members. Whether or not it's all

13 under Dr. Croce's control, but these are lab

14 members.

15 Q. Okay. And were all of the coauthors

16 that you just identified part of Dr. Croce's

17 lab? Fabbri, Garofalo, Iorio, and Pichiorri?

18 A. I know that three of them are, but

9 according to -- according to the OSU documents,

20 Iorio spent a substantial amount of time in --

21 in Croce's lab.

Q. They all did, didn't they, spend time --

23 A. Oh, yes. Yes.

Q. So the lab to which you're referring is

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1 Dr. Croce's lab?

2 A. These are co-authors of Dr. Croce. As I

- 3 said, we have Iliopoulos, we have Huebner, we
- 4 have Semba also. I didn't know that -- you
- 5 know, these were the people -- what I mean by
- 6 the lab is the people who are common co-authors
- 7 at Ohio State with Dr. Croce.
- 8 Q. And it was Dr. Croce's lab?
- 9 A. I don't know.
- 10 Q. You don't know that those individuals
- 11 worked in what was known as Dr. Croce's lab?
- 12 A. No, I don't know. I don't know.
- 13 Q. About midway down on Page 13, it says,
- 14 "The Times showed the paper to four experts in
- 15 the forensic analysis of images in research
- 16 papers, and all agreed that the blots had almost
- 17 certainly been duplicated by the authors."
- 18 Do you see that?
- 19 A. I do, thank you.
- Q. Do you know who the experts were to whom
- 21 The Times showed the papers?
- 22 A. I do not.
- Q. Have you ever seen their analyses of
- 24 those images?

1 Q. Please.

- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. In the second sentence of that paragraph
- 4 it refers to a box score. Do you see that?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. We've seen papers from Glanz referring
- 7 to your box score as well. Was that his
- 8 terminology?
- 9 A. It's his box score and his terminology,
- 10 correct.
- 11 Q. All right. You did not create what you
- 12 thought was a box score of the allegations
- 13 against Dr. Croce?
- 14 A. I did not.
- 15 Q. All right. Let's go on to Exhibit 2.
- 16 I'm sorry, we're going to go to Exhibit 45
- 17 first Do you recognize Exhibit 45?
- 18 /A. Nø, but...
- 19 \ Q. At least the beginning e-mail appears to
- 20 be from you, from your Purdue e-mail address,
- 21 and sent to Mr. Glanz.
- A. The e-mail at the bottom, yes.
- Q. Yes. It says, "Jim, something will be
- 24 coming from me from a different address in a

1 A. I have not.

- 2 Q. Did Glanz ever tell you about the
- 3 results of those analyses other than what we see
- 4 here on Page 13 of Exhibit 1?
- 5 A. I believe -- yes.
- 6 Q. Would -- would that have been via
- 7 e-mail, or did you have an oral communication?
- A. I don't recall.
- 9 Q. Do you know to whom he was referring
- 10 here on Page 13 as the authors in that
- 11 paragraph?

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- 12 A. I'm sorry, where are we?
- Q. "The Times showed the paper to four
- 14 experts."
- 15 A. Ah.
- 16 Q. And in the last part it says have been
- 17 duplicated by the authors.
- 18 A. I don't know what he means by that.
 - Q. Okay. Did he ever tell you?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. Let's go to Page 14, please, Doctor.
- 22 There's a paragraph that starts with Dr. Bik,
- 23 B-I-K.

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24 A. Do you want me to take a look at it?

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1 moment as you requested. David."

- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. What was the different address?
- 4 A. I assume it's my political address or
- 5 my --
- 6 Q. Do you have a --
- 7 A. Or my city council address.
- 8 Q. Oh, different e-mail addresses depending
- 9 upon the station that you're occupying?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. What was it that he had requested that
- 12 you were sending from a different address?
- 13 A. It was some sort of resolution having
- 14 nothing to do with this. It's -- I forgot
- 15 whether -- it may even have been a Senate
- 16 resolution for all I know.
- 17 Q. He does mention in his response
- 18 something about a resolution.
- 19 A. Yes. So that was -- that's what
- 20 we're -- that's why it would have come from
- 21 another address. It would have come -- yes.
- Q. From your city council address?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. What was that?

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              -VS-
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      DAVID SANDERS,
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              Defendant.
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| 1 | (Time noted: 9:02 a.m.) | 1 | in connection with your work with Dr. Croce's |
| 2 | DAVID SANDERS, | 2 | papers? |
| | having been duly sworn to tell the truth, the whole | | A Two. |
| 1 | truth, and nothing but the truth relating to said | | Q Would I be correct that this would have come from |
| | matter, was examined and testified as follows: | 5 | one of those two people? |
| 1 . | matter, was examined and testified as forlows. | | A Yes. |
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| 7 | (All exhibits had been previously marked.) | | Q What are the names of the two people? |
| | DIRECT EXAMINATION \(\sqrt{\langle} \) | | A I |
| 9 | QUESTIONS BY JAMES E. ARNOLD! | 9 | THE WITNESS: Did the Court finally decide? |
| 10 | Q Dr. Sanders, welcome back. | 10 | |
| 11 | A Thank you. | 11 | MR. ARNOLD: Yes. |
| 12 | Q I'm just going to try to pick up where we left off | 12 | A Okay. I didn't know that. So it was Tyler Jaquish |
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| 15 | | | Q How do you spell her last name? |
| 16 | \sim (\sim) | | A S-O-F-R-O-N-I-C-I. |
| 1 | A Correct. | | Q Sofronici? |
| 1 | | | A Yeah. |
| | Q And we see two blacked-out portions there, which | | |
| 19 | // / / 6 / | | Q We'll just call her "Ms." for now. |
| 20 | | | A Yeah. |
| 1 | A Correct. | | Q Did you have anybody other than Mr. Jaquish and |
| 22 | Q Do you know who it was who sent this to you? | 22 | Ms. Sofronici examine any text or images on your |
| 23 | A I'm not sure. | 23 | behalf that were in any way related to Dr. Croce's |
| 24 | Q Was there all right. Let's go back then. How | 24 | |
| 25 | | | A You know, as I've mentioned, I've displayed things |
| 1 -2 | J F F J J J J J | | |

Page 47 Page 46 experiment in figures for unrelated experiments, 1 MS. KAPKE: Aren't we getting into a lot of 2 exercises little oversight when colleagues engage 2 stuff we've already covered? 3 3 in those practice for papers on which Dr. Croce is MR. ARNOLD: No. I've never talked about 4 4 an author." Exhibit 4 before today. 5 MS. KAPKE: Yeah. But you talked in length 5 A I'm sorry. I'm lost here. It starts with the paragraph that says about what he talked about with Glanz, 6 O 6 7 MR. ARNOLD: Yeah. And I've got more to ask "considering." 8 A Okay. Yes. 8 about what he talked about to Glanz with this paper 9 Q And then the last phrase says, "And routinely 9 specifically. I'm not trying to re-ply ground. plagiarizes or allows to be plagiarized, text from 10 BY MR. ARNOLD: 10 papers written by other authors." 11 Q Did you ever tell Mr. Glanz that Dr. Croce's 11 12 Did you provide any of that information to him? laboratory routinely handles experimental data 12 13 A No. I didn't write this. improperly in form or substance? 13 14 Q I understand you didn't write it, but did you 14 A No. I -- no. 15 Q Did you ever tell him that Dr. Croce's laboratory provide the source of the information from which 15 16 this was written? routinely uses data duplicated from one experiment 16 17 MS. KAPKE: Object to form. 17 in figures for unrelated experiments? 18 A I did not write this. 18 A No. 19 Q In the next paragraph, it says, "Dr. Sanders 19 Q Did you tell him that Dr. Croce routinely 20 plagiarizes or allows to be plagiarized text from 20 argues, because in his observation the image fabrication, duplication and mishandling, and 21 papers written by other authors? 2122 A I provided information on images and text. 22 plagiarism in Dr. Croce's papers is routine." 23 Q What information did you provide Glanz on images? 23 Did you, in form or substance, say something 24 A That'd be in a number of papers there were 24 hike that to Mr. Glanz? 25 duplications or manipulations. 25 A In form or substance? Page 48 Page 49 MS. KAPKE: Do you understand the question? the words, "Dr. Sanders argues in his 1 2 2 A I understand. The problem is that there are observations -multiple phrases. 3 A Okay. So I read, "Dr. Sanders argues." And then 4 Q That's fair. Let me break it up. Did you ever say that "Dr. Croce is knowing." That's the sentence, that, in your observation, image fabrication in 5 and then there's a parenthetical part in the middle Dr. Croce's papers is routine? 6 of it. 7 A As a quotation? Or as -- I'm trying to understand 7 So the sentence actually says, "Dr. Sanders 8 argues that Dr. Croce...is knowingly engaged in 9 9 Q You know what I'm asking. I don't need the precise scientific misconduct and fraud." That's the 10 words. But did you suggest --10 actual statement. 11 A I -- I. 11 Q Did you say that? 12 Q Let me finish. 12 A I did not say that. 13 That Dr. Croce engages in routine image What did you say then that would lead him to write, 13 O manipulation or fabrication? 14 14 "Dr. Sanders argues that Dr. Croce...is knowingly 15 A No. I did not say that 15 engaging in scientific misconduct and fraud"? 16 Q So when Mr. Glanz says that you argue that, he's 16 A I have argued that, when one is presented with 17 lying? 17 evidence of -- when one is responsible for an 18 A Vm-answering the question you asked precisely. 18 article and presented with evidence that there is 19 O Then Mr. Glanz, when he says you argue that 19 data manipulation or fabrication or duplication, if Dr. Croce engages in image fabrication routinely, 20 **20** one does -- denies that against the evidence, that

MS. KAPKE: I'll object to form because I think

is not being truthful?

it misstates ---

24 A It isn't what it says.

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scientific misconduct?

that is a new form of misconduct.

22 Q So defending oneself against an allegation of

significant misconduct is itself a violation of

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1 Q So each time an allegation of plagiarism is made 1 Dr. Croce has knowingly engaged in scientific 2 2 and one denies it, that constitutes a new event of misconduct and fraud," did you argue that with 3 3 scientific misconduct? Mr. Glanz? 4 A In the case that there is actually plagiarism. 4 A I'll just repeat my statement. I made the statement that, if you are presented with, you 5 Q So if there are repeated denials of plagiarism in the face of accusations, then each one of those know, incontrovertible evidence of an image 6 7 constitutes a new event of misconduct; is that duplication and you were responsible, to, you know, 8 deny it is a new form of misconduct. correct? 9 A If it is a false -- if one is saying something 9 Q Did you accuse any of the other authors of Dr. Croce's -- strike that. falsely. If one's -- if there is a new false 10 10 Did you accuse any of the other authors 11 statement, it is a new form of misconduct. 11 identified as authors of papers in which Dr. Croce 12 Q No. I'm talking about the same statement. Let's 12 was also identified as an author of having engaged 13 assume phrase one is what you allege is plagiarism. 13 14 And one of the authors is accused of plagiarism in 14 in scientific misconduct or fraud? 15 15 A I believe everybody on the paper is responsible. connection with phrase one and the denial. That constitutes a new event of research misconduct, 16 Q Do you know why it was only Croce's name that 16 17 according to you? 17 appears in Exhibit 4? 18 A No. Kdo not know. 18 MS. KAPKE: Object to form. Do you recall specifically naming any of the other 19 A If it's not -- if it is untrue -- if there is 20 plagiarism, then yes. It is a new form of 20 authors of a paper in which Dr. Croce was identified as an author in any conversation you had 21 misconduct. 2122 with Mr. Glanz? 22 O Okay. And repeated denials of it being plagiarism 23' A_ Yes. 23 in and of itself creates new events of misconduct? 24 Ø Which ones? 24 A Yes. 25 25 Q Okay. When it says, "Dr. Sanders argues that MS. KAPKE: We're retrying old ground. Page 52 1 MR. ARNOLD: I read the deposition transcript 1 consulted by Mr. Glanz? 2 this morning. 2 A I do not. 3 A Fabri, Pichiorri, Garofalo, Gaspreni, Gian, 3 Q Next page, on page 3, paragraph 11, it says, "In 4 the 'Alternate Resolution' described in a letter to 5 You mentioned all of these people to Glanz? Dr. Whitacre from Dr. Robert Bornstein in 5 Q 6 A 6 July 2013, it is noted that the first authors 7 Do you ever wonder why he didn't mention any of (under Dr. Croce's supervision) of the following them in this paper? 8 two papers admitted to widespread mishandling, 9 mistakes, duplication and other problems with the 9 A No. 10 O By the paper I mean the New York Times article? 10 published data." 11 A 11 Did you provide him any information regarding 12 O If you turn the page to page 2 of Exhibit 4, 12 those authors in the mishandling or mistakes or numbered paragraph four where it says, "In one 13 duplication? 13 14 case, Dr. Sanders alleged that Dr. Croce and 14 A 2013, no. collaborators committed extensive plagiarism." 15 Q Do you know how -- strike that. Did Mr. Glanz ever 15 16 Did you say that to Glanz? 16 tell you how he got a letter from Dr. Bornstein 17 A I allege that there was extensive plagiarism in 17 written to Dr. Whitacre? that article. 18 A No. 18 To Glanz? 19 19 Q/ MS. KAPKE: Do you want a break? 20 A Yes. **20** THE WITNESS: No. Okay Numbered paragraph six. It says Mr. --21 Q You know the rules. If you ever need one, just say 21 O

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so.

23 A No. I'm fine.

24 Q Of the two students you had reviewing articles of

which Dr. Croce was identified as an author, do you

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three lines down, it says, "I have consulted two

experts in forensic analysis of scientific images

Do you know the identity of the experts

who agree that this is probably correct."